To: Michaud, John[Michaud.John@epa.gov]

From: Ward, W. Robert

Sent: Wed 10/28/2015 9:11:50 PM **Subject:** Fwd: End of Gladstone Lease

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Grantham, Nancy" < Grantham. Nancy@epa.gov>

Date: October 28, 2015 at 2:30:53 PM MDT

To: "Ward, W. Robert" < Ward.Robert@epa.gov>

Cc: "Logan, Paul" < Logan.Paul@epa.gov > Subject: RE: End of Gladstone Lease

Perfect .. I will say Gold King Mine area, including Gladstone.

From: Ward, W. Robert

Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 4:24 PM

To: Grantham, Nancy < Grantham. Nancy@epa.gov>

Cc: Logan, Paul < Logan.Paul@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: End of Gladstone Lease

Just tried richard Sisk but couldn't reach him. How about Gold King Mine area?

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On Oct 28, 2015, at 2:18 PM, Grantham, Nancy < Grantham. Nancy@epa.gov > wrote:

Thanks – what is the best way to characterize the area(s) that our access agreement encompasses -- Gold King Mine property, including the Gladstone area?

From: Ward, W. Robert

Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 4:14 PM **To:** Grantham, Nancy < Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Cc: Logan, Paul < Logan.Paul@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: End of Gladstone Lease

Thanks I think this looks great, Nancy.

Please note that our access agreement with Mr. Hennis includes more than the Gladstone area.

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On Oct 28, 2015, at 1:57 PM, Grantham, Nancy < Grantham. Nancy@epa.gov > wrote:

Bob and Paul,

Here is proposed language; note that I did not use the word "lease" that the reporter referenced. Please do not hesitate to make any edits you deem appropriate. I am slated to talk with the reporter at 4:30 MST

Thanks

Nancy Grantham

EPA's foremost concern in the aftermath of the Gold King Mine release is protecting public health and the environment and the water treatment plant installation at Gladstone is a significant component of our efforts.

Overseeing and ensuring effective operation and maintenance of the water treatment plant over the winter months is a priority and we look forward to

working with Mr. Hennis (and any other property owners) regarding continued access to the Gladstone area.

From: Jonathan Romeo [mailto:jromeo@DurangoHerald.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 11:55 AM **To:** Grantham, Nancy < Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>

Subject: End of Gladstone Lease

Hello Ms. Grantham,

I am set to publish an article about the end of the lease for Gladstone property on Dec. 15. Mr. Hennis last night said the EPA has been unwilling to negotiate a new lease, and will be operating illegally after Dec. 15.

Right now, all I have is Mr. Hennis's side of the story, which as you can imagine, does not look favorably on the EPA's stance. I would really like to have an explanation (not terse statement) from the EPA. The article will publish this afternoon so I'd appreciate any feedback, and can be reached at 970-375-4515

Thanks, Jonathan Romeo